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TURF TOPICS.

The following were the times taken this morning:—

OLD FORTIES.
Hartshorn, one mile and a quarter, last three quarters, 35, 1.09-2/5, 1.43.
Coxcomb, one mile and a quarter, 36, 1.11-3/5, 1.47, 2.21, 2.52.
Everside, one mile and a quarter, 35, 1.08, 1.42-2/5, 2.18, 2.51.
Sister Dhu, one mile, 38, 1.13, 1.47, 2.22.
Grey Tink, one mile, 37, 1.11-2/5, 1.46, 2.22.
Astral, one mile, 37, 1.12, 1.47, 2.19.
Maryland, one mile, 35, 1.10, 1.45, 2.18.
Seaford, one mile, 39, 1.19, 1.56-2/5, 2.27.

DEBUT GRIFINS.
Garth, one mile, 37, 1.15, 1.47, 2.21.
Fernie, one mile, 36, 1.11, 1.43-3/5, 2.17.
Cattistock, three quarters, 35, 1.08-3/5, 1.42-3/5.
Strathdallas, three quarters, 39, 1.14-3/5, 1.46-3/5.
Waini Chief, one mile and a quarter, 3.17.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFINS.
Backstay, one mile, 40, 1.15, 1.50, 2.23-2/5.
Kamranh, one mile, 38, 1.13, 1.47, 2.22.
Horatio, one mile, 38, 1.13-3/5, 1.47, 2.22-3/5.
Constant, Graystone and Sandstone, one mile, 38, 1.15, 1.50, 2.25.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

KOWLOON V. NAUVE.

An all-day match commenced this morning between Kowloon C.C. and representatives of the Navy, at King's Park, Kowloon.

The Navy went in to bat first and were all out for 124. Lieut Edgell made a good stand for 30, while Mullineux had four less to his credit before he was bowled. O'Neil also made a good score of 19. At the time of going to press Kowloon were all out for 120. Lieut Houghton scored 63 runs.

Rugby Football.

HONGKONG 8 POINTS NAVY 7 POINTS.

This match was played on Friday evening. Right from the commencement the pace was very fast, the Hongkong team having a little the better of their opponents. Following up some good passing at the opening, they looked scoring but nothing resulted. Except for brief intervals in the Navy territory the Hongkongites were called to defend all the time and a minute or two before half time the Navy scored a try behind the goal posts after a fine round of passing, the kick not being converted.

After the interval the Navy again took up the running and were not long in obtaining a beautifully dropped goal. This reverse served as an incentive to the Hongkong team who, from now onwards did the great majority of the pressing work and time and again Phillips was called upon to save. Eventually Hongkong forced a try and subsequently after a continuous round of aggression another try, through Claxton, fell to their lot, but it was disallowed. Hongkong then worked hard to obtain another try and at last got one, and the fate of the team hung in the balance while the try was being converted which put Hongkong only one point ahead.

The President of the English Rugby Union has resigned, as he disapproves of the Committee's policy towards professionalism.

LEGAL PROMOTIONS.

Feetage for Sir John Gorell
HARRIS.

A Receiver's telegram to the Straits Times of February 5 states that Sir John Gorell Harris, President of the Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division, is elevated to the peerage. He is succeeded by Sir John Charles Bigham as President of the Divorce Court.
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Shanghai papers please copy.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Auction.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mrs. E. Scott's residence, Glenheugh, Kowloon (back of Canton Villas).

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 16.—11.45 a.m.—Exchange Banks Closed. Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

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THURSDAY, February 18.—Goods per Dortmund undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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MONDAY, February 22.—Noon.—Tenders for the supply of Provisions will be received by Deputy Victualling Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard.

TUESDAY, February 23.—Noon.—Meeting of Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

WEDNESDAY, March 4.—Noon.—Meeting of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

NOTICE.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1909.

THE ROYAL VISIT TO BERLIN.

We are among those who have always hoped that a better understanding would one day be arrived at between Great Britain and Germany, replacing the period of bickering, back-biting and unworthy suspicion, which has prevailed far too long, by an era of cordial appreciation of each other's good qualities and a sympathetic understanding of our undoubted failings. Anything which could tend to bring about this happy result has ever had our cordial approval. The outcome of the visit of King Edward to Berlin is therefore very gratifying, but all the same it would be well not to build too high hopes upon the present fortunate conjuncture or to rest content with what has so far been accomplished. Rather would we view the present situation but as the foundation upon which to build a better future.

HOW A SOUTH-AMERICAN MERCHANT WARD OFF AN ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA.

THERE is always cause for alarm when a severe cold is accompanied by pain in the chest. Mr. R. M. De Groot, who is manager of the South American branch of the Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, writes: "I had a very bad cold and my chest was sore and I was unable to breathe. I had a very bad cough and I was unable to sleep. I had a very bad headache and I was unable to work. I had a very bad stomach and I was unable to eat. I had a very bad nervous system and I was unable to rest. I had a very bad heart and I was unable to move. I had a very bad lungs and I was unable to breathe. I had a very bad throat and I was unable to speak. I had a very bad voice and I was unable to sing. I had a very bad face and I was unable to smile. I had a very bad eyes and I was unable to see. I had a very bad ears and I was unable to hear. I had a very bad nose and I was unable to smell. I had a very bad mouth and I was unable to taste. I had a very bad tongue and I was unable to swallow. I had a very bad skin and I was unable to feel. I had a very bad hair and I was unable to comb. I had a very bad nails and I was unable to cut. I had a very bad feet and I was unable to walk. I had a very bad hands and I was unable to work. I had a very bad body and I was unable to move. I had a very bad soul and I was unable to live."

eventuate upon the continent of Europe and which for years has seemed so visionary. King Edward had long ere this earned the proud title of the Peacemaker. A man of the world, possessing infinite tact, royal patience, and more than the average amount of that happy faculty known as intuition, which enables him to always say the right word at the proper moment, he has become the best Ambassador in the English service. His present visit to Berlin seems likely to add considerably to his sheaf of well-earned laurels. Grave students of the British Constitution like the *Specialist* have often questioned the wisdom and legality of the King giving such a personal direction to the foreign politics of his government but we think His Majesty has been fully justified by events. To begin with, he has ever kept within the strict bounds of his prerogatives within the more too elastic limits of our unwritten Constitution. He has never taken any step without first consulting his Ministers and thereafter has only moved with the greatest caution upon their advice and consent: and so far he has never made a mistake. All of which demonstrates his fitness for the Kingship.

It was a happy coincidence that the Morocco agreement between France and Germany was signed on the eve of the Royal entry into Berlin. Outside the Balkans, Morocco was the danger zone of European politics and many times within the last few years it has looked as if it only required a tiny spark to explode a highly dangerous magazine. What such an explosion would have meant we do not care to discuss, much less contemplate. M. Delcasse, one of the most capable Foreign Ministers which the French Republic has ever had in its service, was sacrificed through these very Morocco troubles and France felt the loss of his services most acutely. Fortunately an exceedingly capable man was found to fill the vacancy and to M. Poincaré must be accorded the great credit of bringing about the present agreement. If we are to believe the messages coming over the wires, the Foreign Offices of France and Germany have never really been "at outs" over Morocco, it was some wrecked private interests which kept the unfortunate question ever raw and open. What these private interests were we must wait for time to reveal. Evidently the diplomats of Paris and Berlin have been able to circumvent them and they have happily brought about an understanding and a working agreement honourable to both nations. The sense of relief afforded to Europe by this settlement of a disquieting question is vividly portrayed in the cables now reaching the Far East. It only remains for the Balkan troubles to arrange themselves and if that can be accomplished before the summer, then 1909 may be looked upon as having opened very auspiciously.

It is reported that China will shortly undertake the construction of harbour works at the ice-free port of Lienshanwan under the superintendence of a British engineer. A branch line connecting the port with the Imperial Railways of North China will also be constructed for a distance of three miles. The activity of the bean market is disclosing the fact that the pig-iron accommodation and facilities for export at Tientsin are inadequate.

Evidently all is not quite happy in the Unionist party at Home. Recent telegrams in fact say that the difference between the Unionist Tariff Reformers and the Free Fooders are becoming acute. The extremists of the Unionist Tariff Reformers party propose to persecute Free Fooders; but the moderate Unionist journals urge a compromise. Lord Robert Cecil, speaking at Marlborough said that the Free Fooders would fight for their existence, and refused to be bounded out of the party by underhand intrigues.

THE THREE PERSONS ARRESTED AT NAGPUR in November last for tarring and defacing the Queen's statue have now been sentenced. A student of the Agricultural College has been sentenced to two years, an ex-student and an overcoer of the Government farm to one year's imprisonment for abetting. There is great satisfaction at this in Nagpur.

EMPIRE DAY.

This morning we had the pleasure of a visit from the Earl of Meath, the founder of the Empire Day movement. It was with regret that his Lordship heard of the small part which Hongkong has so far played in the local and patriotic observance of Empire Day, May 24th, and he urged that a small committee should be appointed to consider the advisability of inaugurating the scheme in this Colony. The watch words of the movement are "Responsibility, Duty, Sympathy and Self-Sacrifice," while the rallying cry is "For God, Duty and Empire." Surely these are things worth inculcating in the hearts of the rising generation in Hongkong and what more practical method of bringing it about can there be but by fittingly celebrating Empire Day? What is needed are suitable leaders, but surely they can be found for Hongkong as well provided in public men as Ceylon which already possesses a permanent Empire Day Committee.

As the Earl of Meath explained, his intention in starting the movement for the celebration of Empire Day was that it should be the outward sign of an inner awakening of the people who constitute the British Empire to the serious duties and responsibilities which lie at their door. His great hope lies in the education of the rising generation, to whom the appeal for self-discipline, self-sacrifice and sympathy can never be made too early.

HEADMASTER OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE RETIRES.

For some time it has been known that Dr. Bateson Wright, headmaster of Queen's College, contemplated retirement, after nearly 27 years in the service of the Colonial Government. On Friday we were officially informed that Dr. Wright is retiring on April 1st. When Dr. Wright came to Hongkong he acted for a year as Inspector of Schools and at the time of his joining Queen's College there were only 400 pupils on the roll while to-day the roll stands at over 1,400. George Henry Bateson Wright, D.D., was born in 1853 and educated at Queen's College, Oxford, where he obtained the degree of B.A., 2nd class Theol., in June, 1870. Afterwards Dr. Wright joined the Dwyer and Johnson school and the Kennicott Hebrew school, and became a Syrian Priestman; afterwards going to the Pusey and Elerton school, coming out to Hongkong in 1881. His name is fondly remembered by many scores of old students now scattered through the length and breadth of China. We wish him all happiness in his retirement.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Devonians' Annual Dinner takes place at the Hongkong Hotel to-night.

The *Gazette* contains the traffic regulations to be in force during the two days.

The Sanitary Board meeting is to be held on Monday afternoon instead of Tuesday.

A Volunteer church parade is to be held at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday morning when the Bishop of Victoria will be the preacher. In the evening the Rev. A. J. Pitt R.N., will preach.

The White Star line is claiming one-and-a-half million dollars from the Florida for the loss of the Republic in the collision off Nantuxet. The Florida, which has been seized, is making a counter claim.

As the result of the explosion of an oil-tank belonging to the Rising Sun Company near Fukukou on Feb. 6th, eight houses were destroyed and six people were killed. Eight others were severely injured.

The R.M.S. *Montague*, which left Vancouver on January 18 and was due at Yokohama on February 1, arrived at that port on the afternoon of Feb. 6th, five days late. She had encountered heavy storms throughout the whole of her passage.

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DEATH OF THE GENERAL'S BROTHER.

His Excellency Major General Broadwood was to have been the guest of Mr. J. J. Leira, Consul General for Portugal and Brazil, and Madame Leira, along with the Officers of the Portuguese garrison at Paris, at their residence "Dunoy" this evening, and to have afterwards attended the performance of "The Geisha," given in honour of Viscountess de Lamoignon, Countess de Lamoignon, by the children of the members of the Club Lusitano, but unfortunately His Excellency has received the sad news that his brother has died in India, following an operation for appendicitis, whenupon His Excellency has been telegraphically obliged to cancel an engagement which should have been a source of great pleasure to him. His sympathy will be sent for Major General Broadwood and his bereaved family.

HONOURING SOUTH ARMY.

THE SOUTH ARMY has been honoured by the presence of His Excellency Major General Broadwood, who arrived in Hongkong on Friday last, and who will be the guest of the South Army at the dinner given in his honour at the Hotel de Ville on Saturday next.

THE ANTI-OPIMUM MOVEMENT.

H. E. TANG SHAO-YI APPROACHED.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

LONDON, February 13.

The anti-opium Society has sent a deputation to His Excellency Tang Shao-Yi expressing their congratulation to China on the heroic effort being made to suppress opium. The deputation hoped that means would be discovered for a speedier eradication of the mischief and promised to help in educating British opinion on the subject.

H. E. Tang Shao-Yi, in reply, said the Chinese looked to the anti-opiumists to keep up the agitation.

AN ACTOR'S SUICIDE.

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LONDON, February 13.

An actor named Charles Warner committed suicide by hanging himself in an hotel in New York.

DEAD PORTER MISTAKEN FOR CHANCELLOR.

RECEIVES OFFICIAL FUNERAL.

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The body found among the burned Chancery of the German Legation at Santiago de Chile, which was thought to be that of the Chancellor, has now been discovered to be that of the porter at the Legation. The Chancellor has been arrested at Chillan, it being alleged that he has gambled a large sum of the Legation money which was missing. The porter, whose body was dressed in the chancellor's clothes, received splendid official obsequies.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Josiah Vavasour, who was a Director of Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., has bequeathed £15,000 to charities, and his large estates to Cecil, the son of Sir John Fisher.

The Right Hon. John Sinclair, M.P. for Forfarshire since 1897 and a Secretary for Scotland since 1905, has been raised to the Peerage, the object being to secure a member of the Cabinet in the House of Lords responsible for Scottish business.

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THE WAN LOONG DISASTER.

Thirty-five years ago to-day a disaster occurred in this Harbour whereby the lives of 120 Chinese were imperilled and 26 lost their lives. The *Wan Loong*, a locally built vessel, which was on her trial trip, started for Canton in the early morning and capsized within a cable's length of the *Praya*. It would be interesting to know if any of the witnesses of this disaster or survivors are still alive and what has become of those who even at the risk of their own lives, dragged the struggling passengers through the cabin windows of the sinking vessel.

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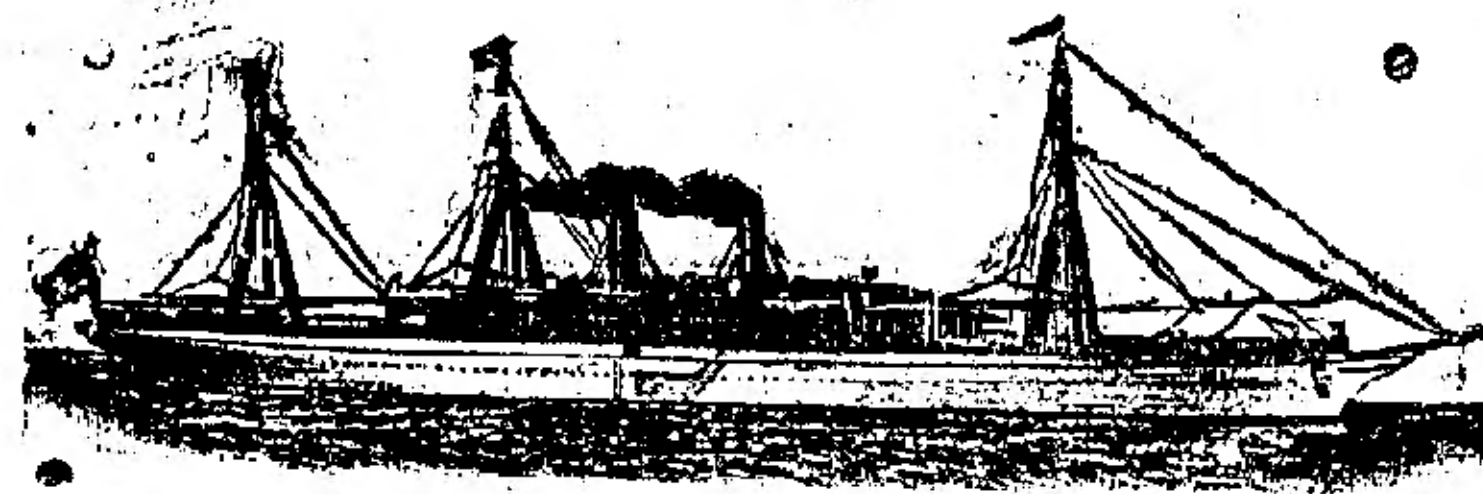
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